Date: ca. 1900

Property Name: (Historic) Western Maryland Railway Warehouse, Offices and Communication

(Present) same

Location: Elizabeth Street and Eutaw Place

Hagerstown, Maryland

Access: private X, public ____

Description:

This two story brick commercial/industrial building is influenced by the High Victorian Gothic style. It is a four bay structure with a steeply pitched central cross gable.

The two central bays have paired windows, while the end bays have single windows. All at the second story have two over two light sash. First story windows have been modified.

The entrance is located near the south end of the west elevation.

Significance:

This building is one of few remaining resources directly related to the railroads at a time when they were bringing about major changes in Hagerstown's social make-up and appearance. The Western Maryland Railway especially by locating its maintenance headquarters here in 1907 contributed to Hagerstown's growth and development during the early 20th century. City directories suggest that in the second decade of the 20th century about 10% of the city's working population was employed by the railroads with the largest being the Western Maryland. This building which was part of the Western Maryland's vast system in Hagerstown represents this dynamic period of the city's history.

Historic Context:

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Economic/Social/Cultural Architecture

Resource Type: Rail-Related Resources

Category: Industrial

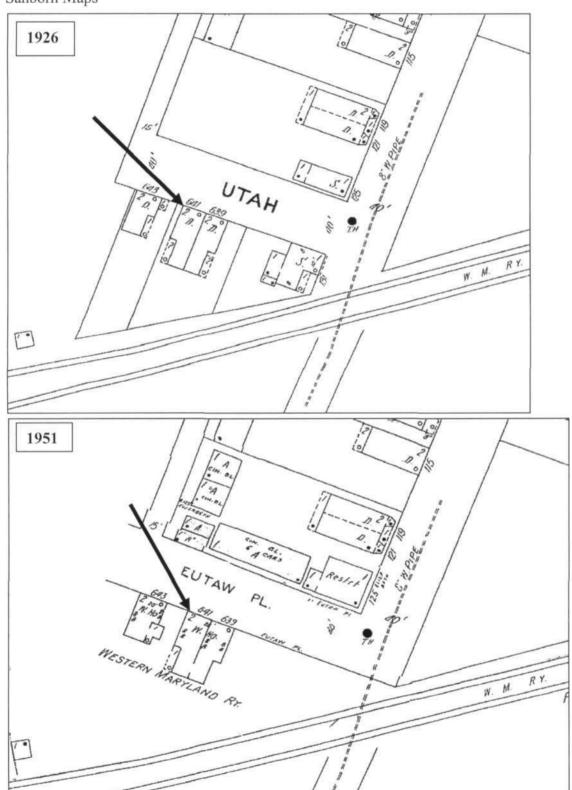
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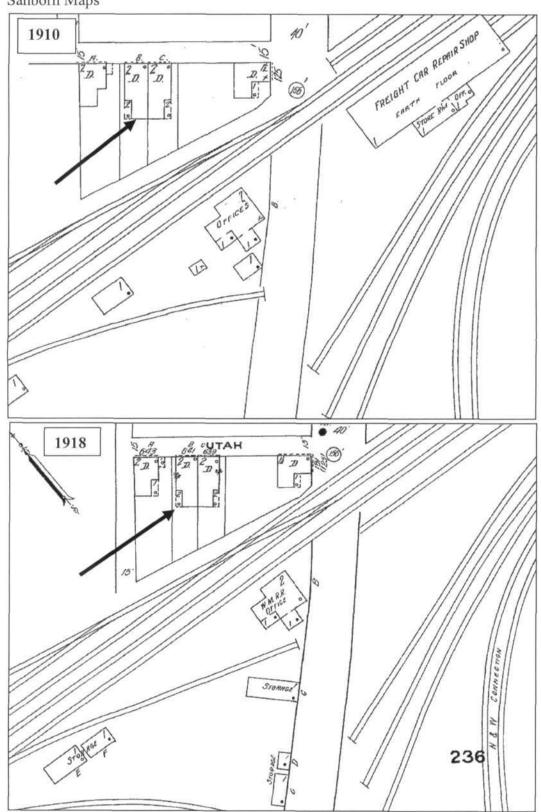
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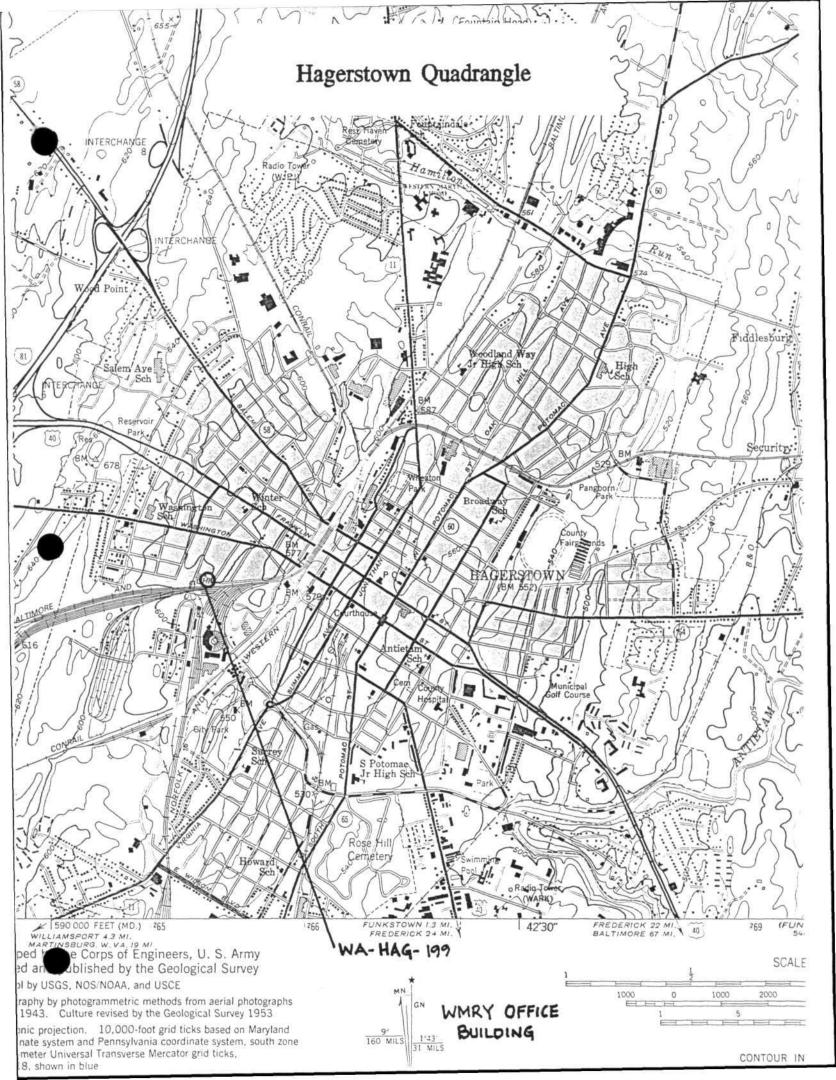
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